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**WSO San Angelo, TX**

**MONTHLY REPORT OF RIVER AND FLOOD CONDITIONS**

REPORT FOR:

MONTH

YEAR

**January**

**1997**

SIGNATURE

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*When no flooding occurs, include miscellaneous river conditions, such as significant rises, record low stages, ice conditions, snow cover, droughts, and hydrologic products issued (WSOM E-41).*

☒ No flood stages were reached in this HSA for the month above.

It was drier than normal for the month January across the San Angelo HSA. January, however, is typically one of the driest months across the Big Country and west-central Texas.

The precipitation total in Abilene was 0.09 inches, which is 0.94 inches below normal. San Angelo received 0.37 inches, 0.43 inches below normal. In southeast sections, in the Northwest Hill country, Junction received 0.58 inches.

Most of the precipitation fell January 6-8. Precipitation was mostly in the form of snow except for in warmer southeast regions. A winter storm on January 6<sup>th</sup> brought 2 inches of snow to San Angelo, Brady, Mason, and Menard. Another storm on the 8<sup>th</sup> brought ½ to 2 inches of snow across the northwest section of the HSA, including the cities of Sterling City, Sweetwater, and Anson. While accumulations were minimal, an ice storm on the 13<sup>th</sup> temporarily closed Interstate 10 from Junction to Fort Stockton.

Overall, its been a dry two months for the region, with only a trace of rain being reported in Abilene earlier in the month of December. San Angelo's December total was only 0.05 inches. The last significant rainfall occurred on the 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of November when nearly 1 inch of rain fell in the cities of Abilene and San Angelo.